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Mr. Richard Weil, Jr., Vice President R. H. Macy's & Co., Inc. 151 West 34th Street New York, New York

Door Mr. Reil:

Thenks sincerely for your thoughtful sessage of 19 August extending your congretulations on my restored health and new appointment.

I feel highly honored by the trust that has been placed in me, but, frankly, I believe this will be the tempest task I have yet undertaken. However, I take great comfort in knowing that the administration and the general public are very much aware at this time of the need of an effective intelligence organisation and that I can confidently expect wholehearted support and assistance from all levels.

With kindest regards,

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